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**Subject:** Rosemont hot topic paper - question

Hi Kathy – Bill K and I are editing the hot topic one pagers, and Alexis has an edit that I can't address. It's in red below. Can you write up a sentence and send it back to me?

Many thanks!

Kelly

Timeline:

- February 2012: EPA rated the USFS' draft EIS as *Environmentally Unsatisfactory – Inadequate* (EU-3), and identified the §404 permit as a candidate for USACE HQ review.
- December 2013: Based on review of USFS' Final EIS, which did not resolve the EU issues, EPA made a preliminary determination that USFS' proposed action warranted referral to CEQ. At EPA's request, USFS suspended the referral deadline and CEQ convened interagency calls to try to resolve issues and avoid referral. Numerous revisions by Huidbay of its mitigation proposal to USACE delayed resolution and raised new issues.
- Spring 2016: CEQ suspended the interagency calls pending completion of a revised Biological Opinion by US Fish & Wildlife Service and a USACE §404 permit decision.
- July 2016: USACE Los Angeles District's draft denial of the §404 permit was elevated to the USACE South Pacific Division (SPD). (explain why division is decision maker)

March 2017: USFS awaits USACE SPD's decision before finalizing its Record of Decision on the mine plan of operations, and verbally committed to seek EPA's agreement on conditions of approval. The most critical issues underpinning EPA's EU rating remain unresolved.

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